



Welcome



Welcome to the 2026 Wisconsin Highland Games!

Whether it's your first time or your 24th, I hope you have a wonderful experience!

The Wisconsin Highland Games is a labor of love for the hundreds of volunteers, artisans, musicians, dancers, Clans, and associations who work year-round to bring these three days to life. We work hard because we love sharing our Celtic heritage, traditions, music, and culture and bringing a little bit of it home to Wisconsin.

I appreciate everything they do to make the Games possible, and I hope you will too.

But most importantly, we want you to have fun!

So don't be shy. Shoot a longbow, throw an axe, try some Scottish country dancing, listen to some great music, meet the Clans, and, of course, enjoy a wee dram—or, this being Wisconsin, a couple two tree beers.

Get involved. Try something new. Make some friends. That's what the Wisconsin Highland Games are all about.

Of course, none of this would be possible without you. Your attendance and support allow us to continue celebrating and preserving these traditions and sharing them with the next generation.

Thank you so much for joining us. Have a wonderful weekend, Slàinte Mhath!

Robert Trawitzki (Macpherson)
President
Wisconsin Scottish

The mark of a Scot of all classes [is that] he ... remembers and cherishes the memory of his forebears, good or bad; and there burns alive in him a sense of identity with the dead even to the twentieth generation." - Robert Louis Stevenson “

NO CARRY-INS ALLOWED

NO handouts or handbills, Political or Non-Political,
allowed on the festival grounds.

NO animals allowed on the grounds unless participants or service animals

Executive Committee

President	Robert Trawitzki
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2nd Vice President	Robb Richardson
Treasurer	Connie Young
Secretary	open
Founder	Richard Jackson

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Battle Axe Throw	Dave Sparks
Celtic K-9's	Terry Cagle
Celtic Marketplace	Dale Larsen
Children's Area	Open
Clan Area	Aubrey Callahan-Schaefer
Cultural & Arts Area	Sharon Lynn Johnston / Cory Sterling
Celtic Baking Contest	Donna Clark-Mauel
Dance Competition	Nancy Strolle
Entertainment	Connie Young
Games Director	Connie Young
Haggis Hurl	Sandy West
Heavy Athletics	Robert Trawitzki
Kirkin & Weddings	Rev. James Durnil
Longbow	Lyle Maryniak / Flash Gordon / Robb Richardson
Marketing	Micheal Oyervides
Medals & Trophies	Connie Young
Pipes & Drums	Tony Palese
Program	Jon Young
Publicity & Communications	Robert Trawitzki
Raffle Coordinator	Kerri Friedrich
Scottish Weapons/Single Stick	Jeff Growel
Sponsorship	Micheal Oyervides
Volunteers	Julie Maryniak
Website Administrator	Jon Young
WSI Tent	Cahnrad Cagle
Set-up / Grounds	Jon Young / Randy McQuown / Kenny Schaefer/ Cory Callahan

Friday Schedule

Gates Open	5:00 pm
Fish Fry <i>Provided by Extra Touch Catering</i>	5:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Opening Ceremonies and Awards	6:15 pm
Dublin O' Shea in the Arena	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Friday night is our opening ceremonies and Ceilidh.

All events begin Saturday morning.

2026 Awards and Honorees

Chief of the Games - Michael Beiermeister

Celtic Person of the Year - Clodagh McGuinness

Honored Clan - MacIntyre Association

2026 Participating Clans & Societies

Clan Buchanan	Clan MacFarlane Society
Clan Cameron	Clan MacAlpine
Clan Carruthers	Clan MacIntyre Association
Clan Colquhoun	Clan MacKay
Clan Donnachaidh	Clan MacLaren Society
Clan Donald	Clan MacLeod Society
Clan Gunn	Clan Ross
Clan Hay	Clan Stewart
Clan Little Society	Clan Young
Clan MacCallum/Malcolm Society	Robert Burns Club of Milwaukee
Clan MacEwen	St. Andrew's Society of Milwaukee
	S.M.O.T.J.

Saturday Schedule

Tom Cobb Pipe and Drum Field

Solo Competition	9:00 am - 12:30 am
Band Competition	2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Awards Presentation	5:30 pm
Massed Bands	5:30 pm

Forbes Athletic Field

Caledonian (Scottish) Events	10:00 am - 4:30 pm
Caber Turn	After 1:00 pm

Clan Area

Parade of Tartans	12:00 pm
"Celtic Weaponry from Rome to Wallace"	2:00 pm
Single Stick Seminar for beginners & advanced	3:00 pm

<u>Single Stick Competition</u> (In Clan Area)	1:00 pm
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Reuel Zielke Highland Dance Stage

Registration	9:30 am & 1:00 pm
Highland Dance Competition	10:00 am & 1:30 pm
Choreography Competition	1:30 pm

Sheep & Duck Herding (Forbes Field)

Herding Demonstrations	12:30 pm
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Celtic Canines

Breeds on Display	11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Parade of Breeds	12:00 pm

A MAN AT ARMS Field

Demonstrations	11:30 am & 3:30 pm
Crossbow Firing	12:30 pm

All event times and locations subject to change without notice

Saturday Schedule (cont.)

Li'l Rampant Lion Children's Area

Activities 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Crawford Archery Field

Instruction 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Shot in the Dark Competition (Blind Archers) 11 am

Pre-Tournament Instruction 1:30 pm

Longbow Tournament 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Battle Axe and Knife Throw

Instruction, Throwing 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Tilted Anvil

Historical blacksmith demonstrations 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Haggis Hurl

Haggis Hurl - open throw 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Competition 3:30 pm

Young's Pub Tent

11:00 am - Milwaukee Scottish Dancers
12:45 pm - Frogwater
2:30 pm - Atlantic Wave
4:30 pm - The Stirling Latelys
6:30 pm - Radiation

Cultural Area Arena Building

Performances: Milwaukee Scottish Country Dancers

11:00 am (in the Pub Tent) 3:30pm (in the Arena)

Presentations: (In the Arena)

11:00 am 1:00 pm AJ Beck – Intro to the world of Scotch 101

1:00 pm AJ Beck—Exploring Scotch Whisky

2:00 pm Joe Whitmore – Welsh Courtship Traditions and Love Spoons

Throughout *(In the Arena)*

Village Spinners - Demonstrating spinning on a wheel, drop spindle and weaving

Quilted Celtic Knot Art - Demonstrating sewing on projects

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Sunday Schedule

Tom Cobb Pipe and Drum Field

Bands will be performing through out the afternoon

Forbes Athletic Field

Hibernian (Irish) Events
Challenge Caber Turn

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After 1:00 pm

Clan Area

Parade of Tartans

11:30 am

Kirkin O' the Tartan

following the Parade of Tartans

"Celtic Weaponry from Rome to Wallace" 2:00 pm

Single Stick Seminar for
beginners & advanced

3:00 pm

Arena-Reuel Zeilke Highland Dance Stage

Registration

9:30 am for all

Competition

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Workshop-Primary, Beginner, Novice

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Workshop-Intermediate, Premier

1:30 pm

Sheep & Duck Herding (Forbes Field)

Herding Demonstrations

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A MAN AT ARMS Field

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Haggis Hurl

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Young's Pub Tent

10:30 am -	Catholic Mass Service
11:00 am -	Milwaukee Scottish Country Dancers
12:45 pm -	Gould & Jaeger
2:45 pm -	Blind Irish Dog
4:45 pm -	Awards & Grand Toast Ceremonies
5:00 pm -	Old Goat Skiffle Band

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Raffle

Our Raffle is located just inside the main gate under the large tent. In it you will find many great items thanks to generous donations from our members and the community. We have a wide selection of items including; artwork, children's baskets, miscellaneous Scottish crafts, Celtic jewelry, gift certificates, event tickets, holiday gift baskets, adult beverages, assorted weapons, and more!

FRI 50/50 raffle after opening ceremonies

SAT Open to 6pm

SUN Open to 4pm (Winners to be Drawn)

Ticket prices are:

1 for \$1, 6 for \$5 or

"The WHOLE 9 Yards"

(36 Tickets) for \$20



Clan Area

It is thought that Highland games originated from Scottish clans competing against each other in various sporting events, with clan chiefs selecting their strongest, fastest, fittest and most entertaining men to represent the clan.

The formalization of Highland games and their establishment as annual event dates from the 1820s.

Modern Clans provide information of their heritage, search for Clan Members and provide a family friendly environment to learn some history and legends of Scotland! You can see many weapons, armor and artifacts as you stroll through the clan area.

Don't miss the Clans as they march in the Parade of Tartans, 12pm on Saturday, join us for the Kirkin O' the Tartan after the Parade of Tartans at 11:30 am on Sunday.



Pipes and Drums



Champion Supreme Pipe & Drum Competition Saturday Massed Bands at 5:30 pm

This is perhaps the most traditional experience associated with Scottish Highland Games. The sound of bagpipes can be heard far and wide! The bagpipes are thought to have originated among shepherding people of the Mediterranean before the time of Christ. It is not known, however, when the pipes made their way to Scotland.

Piping judges base their scoring on tuning and playing ability including finger control and regulated blowing to fill the bag. The pipe band's drum corps includes snare, tenor, and bass drums. They are judged on creative performance as well as technical ability. Come back to the Pipe Field for Massed bands and prepare to be awe inspired as all the bands gather to play your traditional bagpipe favorites.

Longbow

Free archery instruction will be given from 10am to 1pm Saturday and Sunday

(Must be 8 Yrs or older)

Join Wisconsin Scottish, Inc. and the Wisconsin Company of Archers as we present the Crawford Longbow Competition at the Wisconsin Highland Games.

On **Saturday and Sunday, starting at 2 PM**, watch as men, women and youth compete in a **St. George's Charge Match** and the **Scottish Clout**. Pre-competition meeting at 1:30 PM.

The **St. George's Charge Match** consists of 2 ends of 6 arrows at each of the following

distances starting at 40 yards, 30 yards and 20 yards. The **Scottish Clout** consists of 2 ends of 6

arrows at 125 yards and then 180 yards.

We are looking for archers to compete! Either longbows or recurves are welcome. Sights, releases or counter weights are NOT allowed.

Lyle Maryniak will run the blind archers competition Saturday at 11am



Highland Dancing Competition

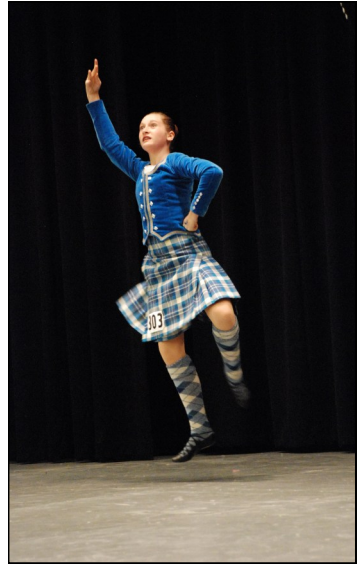
Dancers compete in the Arena on The Reuel Zielke Highland Dance Stage

Dances fall into two categories:

Highland and National Highland Dances were originally performed by men before or after a battle.

These dances require strength and stamina. Two of the most well known dances are the Highland Fling and the Sword Dance.

National Dances, such as the Lilt, are typically more graceful and were designed for female dancers to perform.



GET INVOLVED. MAKE AN IMPACT.



SCAN HERE TO
GET INVOLVED!



THERE ARE MANY WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED!



VOLUNTEERS

Lend your time
and be part of
the fun!



BOARD MEMBERS

Help guide the
future of the
Games!



SPONSORS

Support our
tradition and
gain great
exposure!



FEEDBACK

Share your ideas
and help make
the Games better
for everyone!

Cultural Area

Welcome to the Cultural Area

Come in and check out all of the great exhibits and displays in the Arena Building.

KIDS GET YOUR PASSPORTS AT THE CASTLE IN THE ARENA

Quilted Celtic Knot Art - See the artist work her magic from start to finish # 9-10

Southwest Wisconsin Cornish Society # 25

Scottish Whisky 101 # 14-15

Welsh Club of Milwaukee Area: Welsh Castle and Celtic Cross & Passports - Welsh culture, language, and activity for children # 7-8

Village Spinner - Demonstrating spinning on a wheel and a drop spindle, and weaving # 6

The Way We Were - Victorian Scottish Jewelry from the 18th century to the mid 19th century # 12-13

Display of 18th Century Ladies Clothing # 24

A Man-At-Arms - outdoor encampment display and show times # 17

Celtic Knit Samples and Greyfriars Bobby Display # 20-21

Scottish-American Veterans - honoring all our veterans # 23

Scottish Gaelic - Introduction to Scottish Gaelic and sources for learning # 16

Milwaukee Scottish Country Dancers - Affiliate of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society - Information Table # 1-2

Quilts of Honor # 22

Information # 5

Caledonia Dancers Information Table # 11

PERFORMANCES - PUB TENT AND ARENA

Performances and Audience Participation:

Saturday 11:00 am in the Pub Tent & 3:30 pm in the Arena

Sunday 11:00 am in the Pub Tent & 3:00 pm in the Arena

PRESENTATIONS

Saturday

11:00 am — AJ Beck - Introduction to the World of Scotch 101

1:00 pm AJ Beck - Exploring Scotch Whisky

2:00 pm Joe Whitmore - Welsh Courtship Traditions and Love Spoons

Sunday

12:00 pm Noon - AJ Beck - Introduction to the World of Scotch 101

1:00 pm - Joe Whitmore - Welsh Courtship Traditions and Love Spoons

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A MAN AT ARMS

Travel back in time to 15th-Century Europe and visit the encampment of a Medieval knight on military campaign. Historian Thane Arnold provides an unique, interactive, hands-on experience with **A Man At Arms**. Talk with the knight, try on pieces of his armour, wield his weapons, and stay for and participate in a scheduled presentation that is both entertaining and educational to learn about the history of Medieval knights, armour, weapons, warfare, and society.

Show Times:

Saturday 11:30 am & 3:30 pm

Sunday 11:30 am & 2:30 pm

Crossbow Firing Demonstrations:

Saturday 12:30 pm

Sunday 12:30 pm



Li'l Rampant Lion Children's Area

Children's Area open from 9am - 6pm Saturday and 10am - 5pm Sunday



Here is a fun area just for the wee ones...

There are arts, crafts, games and activities for the children to enjoy. Parents, watch as your family shield comes to life from your child's skilled artistic hand. The kids can also get a **Li'l Rampant Lion Passport** from the main entrance or the Welsh Castle in Cultural area. Fill your shields with stamps from ANY of the areas. When your Passport is full, bring it to the Welsh Castle and get a prize – *While supplies last.*

Sheep and Duck Herding

Demonstrations by Shannon Wolfe of Magic's Legacy

on Saturday and Sunday at 12:30 pm



Border Collies are, by nature, gatherers rather than drovers or tenders. Because of this their early work was primarily to gather sheep from the hills of Scotland. They can be taught to drive the stock away from the shepherd and even keep them securely within certain boundaries.

The herding demonstrations are a must see! Sit back and enjoy as Shannon explains and demonstrates the skills of the border collies. You

will be amazed at how sensitive these dogs are to their handler's slightest variation in commands.

Haggis Hurling

Open throwing (free) 10 am - 3 pm

Competition at 3:30 pm daily

LOTS OF LAUGHS

This event is open for all comers! Open throwing free from 10 am til 2 pm. If you like it, you can compete for only \$3.00 and hurl haggis with the best of them. Sign up anytime at the table before the competition. There are 4 competition categories: Men, Women, 12-16 & 11 and under (with parent/guardian present). You may or may not be victorious, but you will at least have fun competing.

Awards are presented at the end of each day.



Celtic Canines



Dogs will be on display from

11:00 am - 4:00 pm daily

Come meet and greet our Celtic Canines and their wonderful humans at the Celtic Canine tent. Our Canines will be a part of the Clan Parade!

Food & Drinks

INSIDE THE ARENA BUILDING: FRIDAY ONLY

Extra Touch Catering: Cod Fish Fry Dinner and Baked Cod Dinner, Cheeseburgers & Brats, French Fries, and Soda

INSIDE THE FORUM BUILDING:

Extra Touch Catering: Breakfast: *Celtic Foods: Beef and Potato Pasties, Sheppard's Pie, Scotch Eggs, Haggis with Neeps & Tatties, Sausage rolls, Bridies & Rueben Sandwiches*

OUTSIDE FOOD VENDORS

Cousins Subs: Your favorite Hot and Cold subs made to order, French Fries, Cheese Curds, Cheese Fries, Chips, Assorted Soda & Water

Ez Tiki Foods: Corn on the Cob with all the fixin's, Loaded smashed potatoes with toppings, Honey Lemonade, Soda & Water **Celtic Foods:** *Scot-A-Bunga's (loaded Tatties)*

Bistro Italiano: Italian beef, Italian sausage, Italian combo, Chicken parmesan, BBQ pulled pork, Meatball sub, Italian breaded steak, Plain fresh cut fries, Cheese fries, Chili cheese fries, Pulled pork fries, Loaded fries, Garlic parmesan fries, Italian beef fries, Buffalo chicken fries, Fried ravioli, Mac and cheese wedges

Paul's Smokehouse & BBQ: Chopped Brisket Sliders, Pulled Pork Sliders, St. Louis Style Ribs, Chicken Wings, Brisket & Mac Bowl, Pork & Mac Bowl, Smoked Mac & Cheese with Bacon, Smokehouse Street Corn, Walking Pulled Pork, Ultimate Sample Platter, Hot Dogs, Chips Soda & Water

Colonel's Kettle Corn: Sweet Kettle Corn freshly made on site, Soda & Water

Flipp's Mini Donuts: Fresh made Mini-Donuts, Lemonade, Coffee, Soda & Water

Pies of London Meat Pies

K&M Concessions: Fresh hand-dipped buttermilk Corndogs, tornado fries with seasoning choice, jumbo pickles, fresh squeezed lemonade in 20 flavor options, fizz and foam soda and shaved ice with 20 flavor options and unlimited combinations

Wood'r Ice: Locally made, Wood'r Ice brings Philly-style water ice to Lake Country in family-friendly flavors, including Throwback Lemon, Woodr'melon, Blue Dude, Root Beer, Big Gulp, and more. Seasonal flavors, such as Apple Cider, will also be on the menu. Allergen-friendly and dye-free!

*These listings are an estimate on food products to be sold at this event. The Food Provider reserves the right to substitute or eliminate any item listed due to product availability or unforeseen circumstance beyond their control.
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Celtic Marketplace

	<u>Inside Vendors</u> (Forum)
<u>Lyons Den Designs</u>	Semiprecious Jewelry, Pendants, Earrings, Bracelets, Crystal Suncatchers, Shell wind Chimes
<u>Familie Online Bakery</u>	Pre-packaged baked goods, Gluten friendly Dairy & sugar free items, Scottish dessert box
<u>Arkatype Symbology</u>	Celtic knot earrings, Handmade leather pouches, Traditional hand knit hats
<u>Life is a Fantasy Art</u>	Fantasy Artwork, canvas paper prints, framed art work, Jewelry
<u>Universal Windows Direct</u>	Windows, Doors, Siding & Gutters
<u>Find Your Name Here</u>	Family Histories and coat of Arms Heraldry Apparel, Celtic gifts
	<u>Outside Vendors</u>
<u>Chocolate Moonshine</u>	Luxury Chocolates, gourmet fudge, hand painted truffle bars, decadent hand made confections
<u>New Life Sporrans</u>	Custom sporrans, belts, buckles etc.
<u>Dark River Pottery & Forge</u>	Handcrafted and Custom Glazed cups, plates, bowls, mugs, goblets, tea sets, vases and decorative items
<u>Earthy Smells</u>	Essential oils, fragrance oils, locket diffuser necklaces
<u>Frolic & Mayhem</u>	Weapons, swords, knives, clothing including corsets
<u>Lighthearted Candle Company</u>	Hand-poured candles, wax melts, fragrance sprays & hand soaps. Labeled with hand-painted artwork
<u>Scottish Attire</u>	Kilts, jackets, all accessories ghillie brogues, swords, sgian dubh, dirks, brooches
<u>Mystic Ireland</u>	Ireland jackets, Guinness merchandise, capes, jewelry and Celtic apparel.
<u>Nancy's Sweet Nothings</u>	Scottish Shortbread, Scones, Flap Jack, Scottish Tablet, Muffins, Bread mixes, Dry drink mixes,
<u>MRM</u>	Jewelry, Bags, Leather products & Sunhats
<u>Mystic Wander Photographic Art</u>	Celtic photographic Art printed as Giclee paper and metal prints, notecards & puzzles.
<u>Alabaster Raven Illustrations</u>	Original art pieces & prints, Jewelry stickers, Buttons, keychains, wall décor, blankets, & plushies.
	<u>Inside Vendors</u> (Arena)
<u>Quilted Celtic Knot Art</u>	Celtic Knot art, table runners, wall art
<u>The Way We Were</u>	Sterling Silver & Agate Victorian Scottish Jewelry (1870-1900) & Mid 19th Century Scottish Jewelry

YOUNG'S Pub Tent

Open Saturday 11 am to 8:30 pm and Sunday 10 am to 7 pm with live Celtic music. Sit back and have a pint of your favorite brew or cocktail while you ROCK to local acts. You'll find the finest in traditional Scottish and Irish music!

FULL BAR IN THE PUB TENT!



THE STIRLING LATELYS



FROGWATER



RADIATION



**Gould &
Jaeger**



Atlantic Wave



Blind Irish Dog



**DUBLIN O'SHEA
(Friday night Ceilidh)**

Battle Axe Throw

Free instruction in battle axe Area all day.



That's right, real axe throwing! Stop by the Battle Axe area and get some training on how to throw both axes and throwing knives at a wooden target --- then take a few stabs at it!

We will stand with you to make sure that you are doing what you need to stick a weapon in the target.

Celtic Bake-off 2026 Forum Building



Bakers submit dessert and bread entries from new and old family recipes.

Each entry must be baked off site and brought to the festival by Noon on Sunday.



This years judges are Joesph Mani and Ryan Demers

Hello! My name is Ryan Demers, owner operator of Mr D's Atomic Catering, and Family & Consumer Sciences Department Chair, Culinary Instructor and Culinary Club Advisor at Pewaukee High School. I am Wisconsin Restaurant Association Education Representative. I was the 2019 Wisconsin ProStart Teacher of the Year. I love using food as a medium for inspiration! When I'm not cooking I am with my 3 daughters and fantastic wife, laughing, gardening, and taking care of the chickens on our homestead! <https://www.mrdsatomic.com>

Hello! My name is Joseph Mani. I have an accumulative 15 years of culinary experience. I have a passion for cooking and trying new recipes. When I am not in the kitchen, my wife and I enjoy hobbies doing other arts like costume & prop design (cosplay), gaming, twitch streaming and playing weekly dungeon & dragons where I am the dungeon master. Feel free to check out my daily streams at: twitch.tv/thenerdyplaybook

2026 Sponsors



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Single Stick and Scottish Weapons



Clan Stage 2:00pm Saturday and Sunday



From ROME to *Wallace*

A glimpse of Celtic Warfare throughout the ages

From Rome to Wallace is a synopsis of Celtic History and its profound influence on historical warfare from 300 B.C to the High Middle Ages. The Celts were the quintessential warriors to the settled and "civilized" peoples of the Mediterranean, Europe and Asia. The Romans especially feared them but they would learn from them and use that knowledge to conquer the known world. We will also look at the barbaric tribes who greatly influenced Scotland's martial culture like the Picts, Saxons, Vikings and Gaels. They would play an important part in shaping the fighting spirit of the elite Highland Warriors in the time of Sir William Wallace and Scotland's on going fight for independence.



The **Single Stick Tournament** is held at the Wisconsin Highland Games 1:30 pm Saturday in the Clan Area.

We will hold seminars on Saturday and Sunday to introduce the basics of the Single Stick that includes footwork, proper grip, cuts, rules, scoring, cuts and fencing combinations.

Gryphon Poursuivant

(reenactment troupe)

The mission of Gryphon Poursuivant is to bring the history of the European Renaissance to life. Our goal is to educate both the young and old on the daily life of a siege encampment. To this end, we diligently try to incorporate all daily living activities along with the military aspect of a company of siege engineers. We offer various interactive areas including cooking, brewing, use of siege weapons, small arms and armour, indoor and outdoor games and simple musical instruments. In the end we strive to have the patron walk away with a better sense of how people lived and functioned in a mobile military siege encampment during the 16th century.

Heavy Athletics

Heavy athletics refer to the athletic events which require significant strength and power, as opposed to the light athletics, which require stamina, such as highland dancing, sprinting, running, and jumping. Heavy athletics include stone-throwing, weight tossing, hammer-throwing, caber turning, and sheaf tossing.

Pro-Open Competition Saturday 10:00 am & Sunday 11:00 am

Each event runs approximately 45-60 minutes

Saturday --- Caledonian (Scottish) Events

Standing Stone Put (Braemar)	Heavy (28 lb)
Open Stone Put	Light (16 lb)
Weight Throw for Distance	Heavy (56 lb)
Weight Throw for Distance	Light (28 lb)
Scottish Hammer Throw	Heavy (22 lb)
Scottish Hammer Throw	Light (16 lb)
Caber Turn	Qualifying then Championship Turns
Weight Toss Over the Bar	Heavy (56 lb)

Sunday --- Hibernian (Irish) Events

Winding Weight Hurl	Light (7 lb)
Pushing Weight	Heavy (42 lb)
Pushing Weight	Light (28 lb)
The Whirl Again" Weight Throw	Heavy (56 lb)
Celtic Hammer Throw	Light (16 lb)
"Between the Legs" Weight Sling	Heavy (56 lb)
Weight for Height	Heavy (56 lb)
Challenge Caber Turn	



Turning the Caber

There are no uniform standards for cabers. Traditionally though, the caber is 16 to 20 feet in length and weighs 80 to 130 pounds with the largest caber throw on record being **280 lbs**. The size, and particularly the length, of the caber means that enormous strength is required simply to balance it vertically, and even more is required to toss it.

The object is **not the distance** of the throw, but rather to have the caber fall directly away from the thrower after the landing. A perfect throw ends with the 'top' end nearest to the thrower and the 'bottom' end pointing exactly away. If the throw is not perfect, **it is scored by viewing the caber as though it**

were the hour hand on a clock. A perfect toss is 12:00. If the caber lands on its end and **falls back** towards the thrower, the **score is lower** than for any throw that falls away from the thrower.

Steps of the Caber Turn

The '**pick**' where the competitor lifts the caber off the ground.

The '**approach**' where the athlete gets momentum going by running forward.

The '**plant**' when both feet take root to provide a good throwing platform.

The '**toss**' where the caber is actually flipped end over end (or at least attempted).

Wisconsin SCOTTISH, Inc.

Wisconsin SCOTTISH Inc., is a non-profit, tax-exempt Wisconsin Corporation. We were chartered to preserve the traditions, culture and heritage, as well as the arts and crafts of the British Isles. We accomplish this goal through educational and community activities such as the annual Wisconsin Highland Games.

The Highland Games and our other events provide a forum for traditional artisans and athletes, professional and amateur alike, to inform, educate, entertain and compete. These activities help to create an environment where their arts and abilities may be appreciated by a great number of people.

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Become a Member

We invite you to Wisconsin SCOTTISH, Inc. If you look around at any of our functions, you will see an incredibly diverse group of people from all walks of life. Our common thread is our love of our Scottish & Celtic heritage and culture. However, you don't have to be Scottish to belong to Wisconsin SCOTTISH, Inc. All you need to have is an appreciation of the culture and a willingness to promote and preserve the heritage. We also celebrate it a wee bit too!

There are many ways to get involved in this organization. We always need help with our fundraisers during the year. However, our crown jewel is [HERE](#), the Wisconsin Highland Games on Labor Day weekend. Did you know our games are now the largest highland games in Wisconsin? Volunteers like you make these events happen. So pick an area...maybe something you enjoy or are interested in...and make a difference! If you need any information, please don't hesitate to contact us at info@wisconsinscottish.org. Please visit our website as well at **www.wisconsinscottish.org**. You will find all the latest information on what the group is up to, as well as interesting features and information.

Volunteering

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Putting on a Highland Games takes a lot of work and a lot of help. We could always use people that are willing to go the extra mile and volunteer. Volunteer shifts are two hours long. We always need help taking tickets and checking in participants. The children's area needs face painters and adults to staff the activities, just to name a few. For efforts, you can enjoy the games for free on the day that you volunteer! For more information or to volunteer, email **info@wisconsinscottish.org**

Wisconsin Highland Games Advertising

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Wisconsin Highland Games Sponsorship

Area Sponsor - 2 Available

Family Area • Medical & Communications - \$2,500

Naming Rights, Signage, Logo Recognition

10 Tickets & 2 Event Shirts

Bronze Sponsor - 4 Available

Pub & Music • Printing • Car Show • Archery - \$5,000

Area Perks + Booth/Display Availability

25 Tickets & 15 Event Shirts

Silver Sponsor - 2 Available

Clans & Culture • Pipes & Drums - \$7,500

Bronze Perks + Enhanced Branding Space

50 Tickets & 25 Event Shirts

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Heavy Athletic Games - \$10,000

Silver Perks + Featured Recognition

75 Tickets & 40 Event Shirts

Premiere Sponsor - 1 Available

Games Sponsor - \$15,000

Gold Perks + Tent Space, Major Announcements

100 Tickets & 50 Event Shirts

Supporting
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Sponsors for the 2027 games are due by August 1, 2027 and are valid for 12 months.



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Wisconsin SCOTTISH, Inc., (Wisconsin Highland Games), its owners, directors, agents and volunteers assume no liability or responsibility for injury and/or loss or damage to personal property while you are participating in the following events: *Single Stick, Long Bow, Battle Axe, Knife Throwing, Haggis Hurling, Dancing, or any event that you can participate in* during the games. Participation in any event is strictly voluntary.

Anyone under the age the of 18 must be accompanied by their parent and/or legal guardian to participate in: *Single Stick, Long Bow, Battle Axe, Knife Throwing, Haggis Hurling, Dancing, or any event that allows participation.*

If there are any questions regarding this posted notice - please see an Executive Committee Member of Wisconsin SCOTTISH, Inc.

Thank You,
Wisconsin Highland Games, 2026
Wisconsin SCOTTISH, Inc.



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FESTIVAL HOURS:

Friday		Open - 10pm
Saturday	Open - 10pm (Pubs open till 11:30pm)	
Sunday	10am - 5pm (Pubs open till 7pm)	

Wisconsin SCOTTISH thanks you for coming out and enjoying the games with us!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR NEXT YEAR!

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

September 3, 4 & 5 2027